

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF JASPER
MARCH 13, 2006**

The Storm Water Management Board of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Monday, March 13, 2006 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Raymond Eckerle who presided called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Raymond Eckerle	present
Vice Chairman Kent Humbarger	absent
Secretary David Seger	present

Also present were City Engineer Chad Hurm and Storm Water Coordinator Wes Garris. City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein was absent.

Secretary David Seger announced that a majority of the board members must be present for a quorum. Two of the three board members were present; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Eckerle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 13, 2006. Secretary Seger **motioned** and Chairman Eckerle seconded to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion** carried 2-0.

CLAIMS

City Engineer Chad Hurm presented claims in the amount of \$767.50 from February 10, 2006 through March 9, 2006.

On **motion** by David Seger and seconded by Raymond Eckerle, the claims from February 10, 2006 to March 10, 2006 were approved as presented. **Motion** passed 2-0.

STORM WATER DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Flood Waters. City Engineer Chad Hurm reported on the recent rain and floods. He said it appears the storm water retention basins are doing the job.

1992 S-10 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck. City Engineer Chad Hurm reported that the Utility Service Board had declared a 1992 Chevrolet S-10 pick-up truck as surplus and had offered to transfer the vehicle to the Storm Water Department. Hurm estimated that the Storm Water Coordinator is driving about 100 miles a week on a typical week and is using his own vehicle. Hurm said there is money in the budget and that Jasper utility office would pay the insurance and liability for 2006. Chairman Eckerle said it was important to have the vehicle out and

visible. He recommended signs for the vehicle and offered help with signs from the street department. Hurm said there was one stipulation and that was that the Utilities Department would like to use the truck twice a month for manual reading of meters.

A **motion** was made by Secretary Seger and seconded by Chairman Eckerle, to accept the transfer of an S-10 Chevrolet pick-up truck from the Jasper Utility Department to the Storm Water Department and that the truck would be maintained through the street department. Motion passed 2-0.

Conference. Storm Water Coordinator Wes Garris thanked the board for sending him to the Storm Water Drainage Conference at Purdue University on February 21, 2006. He said it was very helpful.

Advertising and Public Education and Awareness. Storm Water Coordinator Garris reported that he had filmed a few spots with Channel 27 and that he would be interviewing with them this week and the interview would be televised on March 20, 2006. Chairman Eckerle requested a recording of that interview. Garris said his interview would be dealing with household hazardous waste and also litter. He stated that he is also working on some ads for sporting events which should start this spring.

Erosion Control Plan. Storm Water Coordinator Wes Garris reported that he had sent out a letter to contractors about their construction projects along with a questionnaire and has received positive responses back from those responding.

Site Inspections. Storm Water Coordinator Wes Garris said he and Judi Brown, Dubois County Soil and Water Conservation District, had completed final site inspections of all ongoing construction projects within the city limits. He said there were about 33 sites and he now has all the files in his possession. He plans to send out a letter this week to those project owners and include a copy of the site inspection report. He said the letter informs them that the city will be handling all enforcement in Jasper concerning storm-water control practices. He said he would review those that were unsatisfactory.

Meetings. Secretary Dave Seger asked Storm Water Coordinator Garris if he had set a date for a meeting with building contractors. Garris responded that he plans to work out a good time with the Builders Association by the end of the month or first week of April for a meeting. Secretary Seger said he thought it imperative to set up a meeting as soon as possible to talk to contractors and developers because he sees so many sites that are not following the plans. Secretary Seger said we need to advise engineering companies, developers and contractors to work together to execute plans according to the rules.

Chairman Eckerle stated his concerns about Hemlock Drive. He said there was no protection from a creek that was cleaned out last year by the homeowners and that project is doing the same thing all over again. Storm Water Coordinator Garris stated that there is a date on site inspection reports, which stipulates what repairs must be done in 10 days or owners could receive the first violation from the city. He said it may sound harsh, but believes that issuing violations will prove that the city is serious.

Builders’ Association. Storm Water Coordinator Garris stated that he would be speaking to the Builders’ Association at their March 21, 2006 meeting. He said he also plans to place an advertisement in their April newsletter.

Rain Events. Storm Water Coordinator Garris gave an example of rain events from this area. They are:

10 year rain event in 24 hour period	= 4.6”
25 year “ “ “	= 5.3”
50 year “ “ “ “	= 5.6”
100 year “ “ “ “	= 6.4”

He said he will compare these figures with what we have had this month. He said it’s been significant.

Storm Sewer Cleaning. Chairman Eckerle reported that the street department has had two men working for ten days cleaning out storm sewers in new uncompleted subdivisions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by Secretary Seger, seconded by Chairman Eckerle, and carried 2-0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Chairman Raymond Eckerle
Presiding Officer

Attest:

David Seger, Secretary

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary